107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. RES. 338

Recognizing the tragic effects of the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center on New York State and New York City and expressing the renewed commitment of the House of Representatives to rebuild New York.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 29, 2002

Mr. Nadler (for himself, Mr. Israel, Mr. Engel, Mrs. McCarthy of New York, Mr. Towns, Mrs. Maloney of New York, Mr. Owens, Mr. McNulty, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Serrano, Mr. Ackerman, Ms. Slaughter, Mrs. Lowey, Mr. Hinchey, and Ms. Velázquez) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

## **RESOLUTION**

Recognizing the tragic effects of the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center on New York State and New York City and expressing the renewed commitment of the House of Representatives to rebuild New York.

Whereas the attacks on the World Trade Center in New York have taken an unprecedented human and emotional toll, taking from our families close to 2,889 men, women, and children;

- Whereas the September 11 attacks on New York are the most catastrophic and damaging disaster in United States history, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency will spend at least \$1,000,000,000 on debris removal at the site;
- Whereas the terrorist attacks are estimated to cost New York City and its businesses over \$105,000,000,000 in financial losses over the next 2 years;
- Whereas nearly 25,000,000 square feet of office space (20 percent of all downtown New York space) was damaged or destroyed by the attacks, leaving 850 businesses and over 125,000 workers physically displaced;
- Whereas the effects of the attack on the World Trade Center on New York's workers has been staggering, and New York City's unemployment rate spiked from 6.9 percent in November to 7.4 percent in December, a nearly 3-year high;
- Whereas the September 11 attacks on New York City ruined Lower Manhattan's small business community, destroying and severely impacting nearly 15,000 small businesses;
- Whereas in the aftermath of the September 11 attacks, New York City is expected to lose nearly 150,000 jobs and the City will not rebound until 2004;
- Whereas the number of private-sector jobs in New York City sank 3 percent last year, more than twice the national rate, as New York's economy suffered economic fallout from the attacks on the World Trade Center;
- Whereas the effects of the attacks on the World Trade Center still render 42 percent of Lower Manhattan's subway system unusable, significantly disrupting the commute of

355,000 passengers who ride to Lower Manhattan each day; and

Whereas the catastrophic and unprecedented attacks on the World Trade Center have severely damaged the economic vitality of New York State and New York City: Now, therefore, be it

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(1) recognizes the terrible tragedy that New Yorkers have endured, the catastrophic economic consequences of September 11 on New York's economy, and the duty of the United States to protect its States from invasion; and

(2) expresses its determined effort to rebuild New York, and reaffirms its commitment to provide New York with all of the Federal assistance that it requires in coping with the largest attack in history on United States soil.

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